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ANNUAL REPORT

—OF—

THE SELECTMEN

AND OTHER

TOWN OFFICERS

—OF—

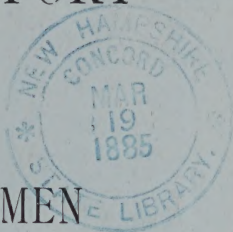
ENFIELD, N. H.,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH. 1, 1885.



LEBANON, N. H.:
Press of Freeman & Richardson.
1885.



Eggs, Butter, Cheese,

Beans, &c., a specialty

Heavy Dry Goods,

Men's and Boy's Boots and Shoes,

Pure Groceries,

Wick's Eclectic Oil,

Ham,

the best in use ;

Sausage,

Fresh Pork,

Dried Beef,

Pork and Lard,

Salt and Dried Fish,

Providence River Oysters,

constantly on hand

in season.

For Cash or Ready Pay.

AS LOW AS THE LOWEST.

Enfield, N. H.

Pattee & Currier.

New Store! New Goods!

Having moved my undertaking and furnishing business and fitted up new, large and convenient rooms I have added to my already large stock of goods the most stylish assortment of

Wall Paper, Ceiling Decorations,

Curtains, Fixtures, Etc., Etc.,

ever offered in this vicinity. All my goods are new and of the latest patterns manufactured. Special attention given to the undertaking business, (night or day.) I have one of the largest stocks of these goods in the state. Broadcloth covered Caskets in black, white, and drab.

PICTURE FRAMES and Window Cornices of every description made to order. All the above goods at bottom prices.

Call on or address,

C. E. MARSTON,

Baldwin's Block,

Residence, No. 16, Green Street,

Lebanon, N. H.

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WARRANT FOR ANNUAL MEETING.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

*To the inhabitants of the Town of Enfield qualified
to vote in town affairs:*

{ L.S. }

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said town on the second Tuesday of March next at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

- 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
- 2nd. To choose all necessary town officers and agents for the year ensuing.
- 3rd. To see how much money the town will raise to defray town charges for the year ensuing.
- 4th. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of schools for the year ensuing.
- 5th. To see how the town will divide the school money for the year ensuing.
- 6th. To see how much money the town will raise for the repairs of highways for the year ensuing.
- 7th. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen in regard to the compensation per hour to be allowed for work on highways in working out highway tax.
- 8th. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the highway leading from the house of D. M. Stevens' to the intersection with the highway leading from Eli Story's to Mason Burnham's.
- 9th. To see what action the town will take in regard to the petition of J. E. Gile and others to be severed from the town of Enfield and annexed to the town of Lebanon.

10th. To see if the town will vote to exempt from taxation for a term of ten years, a capital of ten thousand dollars or more for any new manufacturing purpose, and said term of years and exemption to commence when any new manufactory should start with a capital of ten thousand dollars or more.

11th. To see if the town will appropriate fifty dollars for Memorial services and decoration of soldier's graves May 30, 1885.

12th. To see if the town will pay William H. Leavitt the cost and expense incurred by him while constable of said town, in defending a suit brought against him for damage, while acting in the line of his duty as constable.

13th. To see if the town will take any action in regard to the delivery of blank inventories.

14th. To see what action the town will take in regard to raising Shaker Bridge of sufficient height to admit of running a steamer through or any other mode for a passage.

15th. To see if the town will vote to pay the members of Protector Engine Company for services, and how much per year.

16th. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors and Committees heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Given under our hands and seal this 21st day of February, 1885.

J. G. SPENCER,	}	Selectmen
W. F. SMITH,		of
J. F. JONES,		Enfield.

A true copy of the warrant. Attest:

J. G. SPENCER,	}	Selectmen
W. F. SMITH,		of
J. F. JONES,		Enfield.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

We, the undersigned, Auditors for the Town of Enfield, have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Overseer of the Poor, Liquor Agent, and Selectmen for the year ending March 1, 1885, which we find correctly cast and vouchers for bills paid, on file, and submit the following report:

G. W. BURNHAM, }
E. B. HUSE, } Auditors.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

WARREN C. CLOUGH, Treasurer.

DR.

Cash on hand, March 1, 1884,	\$ 3 49
Rec'd of Edwin A. Clough, for two notes,	1,800 00
Wm. Walcott, Coll., taxes 1883,	1,033 74
“ “ int. on taxes 1883,	47 00
“ “ taxes 1884,	4,605 00
“ “ highway taxes 1883,	14 95
Charles L. Clark, county order,	301 48
Franklin Savings Bank, for note,	500 00
Geo. W. Jonson estate, legacy and interest,	368 88
Railroad tax,	1,845 46
Savings Bank tax,	1,492 90
Literary fund,	143 36
Bounty on woodchucks,	91 50
“ “ grasshoppers,	3 00
Interest on Gage fund,	105 50
Merrimack county,	78 00
H. L. Chamberlin, liquor agent,	32 86

B. W. Clough, old hearse house,	3 00	
H. J. Cole, billiard table license,	4 50	
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DAMAGE BY DOGS.

Paid Nahum W. Sawyer, to sheep,	\$6 00	—\$6 00
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DAMAGE ON HIGHWAYS.

Paid S. R. Truell,	\$15 00	
Hira Follansbee,	40 00	
W. R. Brownell,	5 00	
E. R. Dustin,	1 75	
James Talbert,	8 00	
E. G. Burnham,	2 12	
	<hr/>	\$71 87

WATER TROUGHS.

Paid George W. Johnson, 1883,	\$2 00	
A. C. Jones,	2 00	
Joseph Huntoon,	3 00	
J. T. Kimball,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$9 00

BRIDGE NEAR MRS. Mc CONNELL'S.

Paid Bert Follansbee,	\$ 3 75	
J. G. Spencer,	4 13	
O. C. Brown,	30 00	
J. F. Jones,	4 13	
O. B. Brown,	21 50	
T. J. Carlton,	19 50	
J. H. Paddleford,	19 50	
J. J. Follansbee,	21 00	
J. T. Mc Connell,	11 25	
D. L. Tilton,	14 00	
Ira Copeland,	3 37	
Albert Packard, use derrick,	5 00	
T. B. Morse, lumber,	24 96	
	<hr/>	\$182 09

MATERIALS FOR HIGHWAYS.

Paid	S. R. Truell,	\$19 00	
	Walker & Co.,	22 84	
	Otis Chamberlin,	6 72	
	L. J. Moody,	2 40	
	F. B. Morse,	20 00	
	Northern Rail-road,	2 60	
	Wells & Flanders,	38 66	
	Orson Day,	25 60	
	Timothy Kidder,	6 68	
	W. D. Fleming,	11 75	
	E. F. Foster,	30 40	
	M. D. Gove,	5 00	
	John E. Gile,	6 81	
	Tracy H. Jones,	2 12	
	F. W. Page,	1 20	
	William Walcott,	21 65	
	A. S. Emerson,	3 00	
		<hr/>	\$226 43

LABOR REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Paid	T. J. Carlton,	\$7 00	
	Hira Follansbee,	4 61	
	John Dresser, damage to plow,	3 35	
	J. D. H. Colby,	7 35	
	J. J. Follansbee,	3 50	
	Stephen Hadley,	2 00	
	Mark H. Purmort,	5 92	
	L. P. Olmstead,	3 50	
	William Walcott,	29 90	
	“ “ 1883,	21 60	
	G. W. Currier,	4 50	
	Hial Follansbee,	27 88	
	L. J. Moody,	13 05	
	Eli Story,	36 06	
	Otis Chamberlin,	40 36	
	E. R. Dustin,	14 89	
	Orson Day,	94 00	
	Timothy Kidder,	10 00	
	J. H. Tupper,	4 67	
	M. D. Gove,	57 15	
	John E. Gile,	10 80	

S. J. Woodbury,	2 17
Tracy H. Jones,	1 95
F. W. Page,	5 90
H. H. Walbridge,	3 50
John Bradford, 1883,	87 72
“ “	80 92

 \$584 25

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid L. J. Moody,	\$24 26
Elmore Dodge,	3 44
J. D. H. Colby,	8 12
F. T. Underhill,	5 25
Eli Story,	69 55
H. S. Burnham,	6 87
S. J. Woodbury,	24 81
R. W. Haskins,	3 38
Mark H. Purmort,	36 60
E. G. Mudgett,	43 00
George H. Sargent,	9 05
Hira Follansbee,	5 56
E. R. Moody,	9 13
D. M. Stevens,	6 39
George B. Noyes,	9 00
J. W. Hoyt,	7 50
Henry White,	43 07
W. F. Smith,	36 62
O. C. Brown,	4 30
M. D. Gove,	29 24
George W. Currier,	12 12
E. R. Dustin,	6 34
J. H. Tupper,	3 38
J. S. Pillsbury,	6 00
Hial Follansbee,	30 32
Timothy Kidder,	7 00
Tracy H. Jones,	17 18
F. W. Page,	17 51
Orson Day,	5 00
Otis Chamberlin,	17 32
M. T. Purmort,	7 13
Wm. Walcott,	18 52

 \$532 96

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid Dodge. Davis & Co., note,	\$601 30
Freeman & Richardson, town reports,	34 00
A. M. Bryant, wood, and care town-house,	5 00
A. M. Bryant, check-lists,	6 21
Ellen Powers, board of child,	42 00
W. D. Fleming, hearse house,	200 00
Cash tendered to John Dresser,	37 67
bounty on woodchucks,	173 20
J. F. Bryant, expense on G. W. Jonson legacy,	1 00
E. A. Kenyon, lighting bridge lamp,	8 00
D. G. Dustin, school-house tax,	62 67
G. L. Brownell, repairing hearse,	6 90
G. W. Burnham, precinct tax,	304 00
John S. Lovejoy, watchman,	4 00
C. A. Downs, surveying,	58 00
G. W. Burnham, surveying,	9 00
Leviston Brothers, note in full,	1,041,71
C. M. Trescott, straps for hearse,	2 50
Franklin Savings Bank, note and int.,	517 08
Silsby & Son, books,	26 47
C. Houston, teams,	6 00
V. Manahan, M. D., births and deaths,	5 50
F. P. Fisher, M. D., births and deaths,	5 75
“ “ stationery and postage,	1 92
Burnham & Choate, hardware,	1 75
Spring & Spring, Dresser & Colburn cases,	18 00
J. H. Stevens, lighting bridge lamps,	22 00
D. W. Flanders, driving hearse,	61 00
Pattee & Currier, rent, oil, &c.,	30 20
J. G. Spencer, cash paid out,	10 31
“ “ on town line,	30 25
“ “ bounty on grasshoppers,	3 00
J. F. Jones, on town line,	25 00
Wm. Walcott, one scraper,	5 00
W. F. Smith, cash paid out,	9 43
B. W. Pattee, burial permits,	2 85
Wm. Walcott, over-paid tax, 1881,	16 06
“ “ “ “ 1882,	21 49
auditors, expense on town reports,	2 00
	<hr/> \$3,418 22

SCHOOL MONEY.

Paid Dist. No. 1,	L.W.Currier, Treas.,	\$601 17	
2,	Ira Copeland,	60 10	
3,	B. W. Clough,	53 57	
4,	H. S. Burnham,	79 65	
6,	Eli Story,	83 04	
7,	J. S. Pillsbury,	38 13	
9,	W. H. Dorothy,	79 45	
10,	James Edwards,	55 58	
11,	James McElwain,	154 53	
12,	Robert Lawn, Jr.,	69 52	
13,	John Bradford,	229 26	
14,	E. F. Foster,	46 88	
15,	Orson Day,	77 38	
16,	F. W. Page,	47 27	
17,	Sarah J. Gordon,	51 79	
18,	William Wilson,	72 67	
Springfield,	G. W. Clark,	3 65	
		<hr/>	\$1,803 84
Paid Dist. No. 16, Bal., 1883 money,		\$12 65	
1, District tax,		300 00	
		<hr/>	\$312 65
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			\$2,116 49

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid	J. G. Spencer, Selectman,	\$125 00
	W. F. Smith, "	80 00
	J. F. Jones, "	65 00
	Henry White, " special,	2 00
	C. L. Clark, " "	2 00
	G. F. Pettengill, S. S. Committee,	60 00
	C. L. Clark, Overseer of Poor,	40 00
	W. C. Clough, Treasurer,	25 00
	F. P. Fisher, Town Clerk,	24 00
	James Huse, Supervisor, 2 years,	12 00
	A. M. Bryant, " "	12 00
	I. S. Babbitt, " "	12 00
	L. W. Currier, for Board of Educat'n,	10 00

E. B. Huse, Auditor,	5 00	
G. W. Burnham, Auditor,	5 00	
Wm. Walcott, Collector 1883,	125 00	
	<hr/>	\$604 00

RECAPITULATION.

Whole amount received by the Treasurer.		\$12,474 62
Paid County tax,	\$1,660 92	
State tax,	1,652 00	
Damage by Dogs,	6 00	
“ on highways,	71 87	
For water troughs,	9 00	
McConnell Bridge,	182 09	
Materials for highways,	226 43	
Labor repairing highways,	584 25	
Breaking roads,	532 96	
Miscellaneous bills,	3,418 22	
School money,	2,116 49	
Town officers,	604 00	
Pauper account,	1,043 00	
Cash on hand,	367 39	
	<hr/>	\$12,474 62

REPORT

—OF THE—

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

CHAS. L. CLARK, OVERSEER.

DR.

Received of Town Treasurer,	\$965 00
of County order,	301 48
Merrimac County,	78 00
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	\$1,344 48

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COUNTY POOR.

Paid for Asa Strate,	\$71 25
Lucinda G. Moody,	52 00
Heman Burpee,	57 45
Emily Smith,	52 00
Sophia Hall,	54 00
J. Posey.	9 00
Rosville Blake,	112 10
Lizzie Atwood,	64 04
James Flanders,	40 50
Frank Johnson,	21 75

Sarah Howe,	3 50	
John B. Loverin,	6 00	
William Kimball, 1883,	8 00	
Zerviah P. Wood,	3 00	
Melvin T. Harvey,	46 00	
Nettie Royce,	15 59	
	<hr/>	\$616 18

TRANSIENT POOR.

Paid J. H. Morse, for tramps,	\$1 00	
E. A. Kemyon, for tramps,	13 05	
	<hr/>	\$14 05
Paid E. M. Morrill, for Merrimac County,	78 00	
	<hr/>	\$78 00

TOWN POOR.

Paid for Mrs. J. E. Johnson and child,	\$121 57	
for James Follansbee and wife,	163 45	
	<hr/>	\$285 02

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid D. G. Stickney, Expense to Haverhill,	\$9 35	
Rev. Walter Dole, Thomas Seaver funeral,	4 00	
for taking statements,	1 75	
for postage and stationery,	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$17 60

RECAPITULATION.

Amount received by overseer.		\$1,344 48
Paid county order, to treasurer,	\$301 48	
for county poor,	616 18	
transients,	14 05	
Merrimac County,	78 00	
town poor,	285 02	
miscellaneous bills,	17 60	
Cash on hand,	32 15	
	<hr/>	\$1,344 48

LIQUOR AGENT'S REPORT.

H. L. CHAMBERLIN, Agent.

Received cash from sales of liquors from March 1, 1884, to March 1, 1885.		\$625 90
Paid for liquors and fixtures,	\$518 04	
Agent's salary,	75 00	
Town Treasurer,	32 86	
	<hr/>	\$625 90

STOCK ACCOUNT.

Liquors and fixtures on hand March 1, 1884.	\$165 20
" " " " " " " " 1885,	202 13
Net profit to the town,	69 79

ABATEMENTS, 1882, HIGHWAY TAX.

Daniel Matthewson,	\$ 25
Frank Russell, Jr,	24
James Whalen,	25
Henry Chandler,	25
W. F. Choate,	25
James Godfrey,	1 25
J. G. Harvey,	25
David Roberts,	25
John Romprey,	25
E. B. Shattuck,	25
G. W. Savory,	25
D. H. Whitecomb,	25
J. K. Willis,	25
William Kimball,	25
George W. Pierce,	25
Ann H. Loverin,	07
William Loverin,	25
John B. Loverin,	25
W. E. Johnson,	25

Silas Rollins,	1 73	
Levi Russell,	25	
W. A. Stevens,	19	
Henry Howe,	19	
M. T. Harvey,	25	
D. M. Moody,	29	
E. E. Cheney,	75	
Luther Howe,	25	
	<hr/>	\$9 46

ABATEMENTS, 1881, MONEY TAX.

Northern Railroad,	\$10 00	
John Romprey,	2 00	
C. E. More,	1 45	
Oliver Biathrow,	2 61	
	<hr/>	\$16 06
The above over-paid by collector,		

1883.

O. B. Cowen,	\$1 13	
W. F. Choate,	1 13	
Northern Railroad,	5 63	
John Romprey,	1 13	
E. B. Shattuck,	1 13	
C. Atwell,	3 11	
Jennette Flanders,	2 48	
G. W. Savory,	1 13	
Eiliphalet Wells,	1 13	
Wm. B. Stevens,	3 49	
	<hr/>	\$21 49
The above over-paid by collector.		

1884.

W. H. Cross,	\$1 02	
O. T. Shattuck,	1 02	
James Godfrey,	4 93	
E. H. Copp,	75	
C. Bagley,	57	
F. J. Colby,	75	
James E. Johnson,	75	
Wm. B. Stevens,	2 07	

George Hubbard,	1 75	
Fred S. Kimball,	1 88	
George W. Dustin,	1 15	
William Loverin,	75	
J. B. Loverin,	75	
Samuel Maxfield,	75	
	<hr/>	\$18 89

Due on tax bill 1882, \$9 35

TAX BILL 1883.

Reported due last year,		\$1,080 47
Paid to treasurer,	\$1033 74	
Now due,		\$47 00

TAX BILL 1884.

Whole amount,		\$5,684 56
Paid to treasurer,	\$4,605 00	
Abatements,	18 89	
		<hr/> \$4,623 89
Now due,		\$1,060 67

AVAILABILITIES,

Due from county,	\$630 23	
on tax bill 1882,	9 35	
" " " 1883,	47 00	
" " " 1884,	1,060 67	
from state for bounties,	85 10	
" G. B. Noyes, for old hearse,	13 75	
Accrued interest on Gage fund,	45 33	
Cash in overseer poor hands,	32 15	
" " treasurers hands,	367 39	
Stock and fixtures of Liquor agency,	202 13	
	<hr/>	\$2,493 10

LIABILITIES.

Due E. A. Clough, two notes and Int.,	\$1,853 30	
Ellen Powers,	79 75	
	<hr/>	1,933 05
Balance above liabilities March 1, 1885,		\$560 05
“ “ availabilities March 1, 1884,		105 89
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Decrease of liabilities this year,		\$665 94

The following

LEGACIES, FUNDS, PROPERTY AND CLAIMS

are held by the town.

“Gage Fund,” income for any town purposes,	\$2,500 00
George W. Jonson Legacy, income for benefit of poor,	368 88
Sally Strate, Note and Mortgage, date June 10, 1867,	100 00
Deed of Gravel Bank, near bedstead shops,	35 00
Deed of land, west end of Shaker Bridge,	40 00
Claim against U. S. Government, for war expenses, 1861, to 1865,	1,161 40
One Town house, one hearse house, one hearse, two tramp houses and furniture.	

There is in the hands of W. C. Clough, \$37.67, being a tender made to John Dresser as per an award of a board of referees, June 11, 1884, in settlement for a claim by said John Dresser, against the town, for covering stone for culverts on highways.

REPORT

—OF THE—

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

REMARKS.

Again, as the season of report approaches, your Committee is reminded of his duty in that particular; and therefore desires briefly to call your attention to the department under his charge. As I look back upon my last report, submitted only twelve months ago, and taking a general view of the schools of which I have had the supervision the past year I am able to report to the town a progress gratifying to myself, and I think satisfactory to every one interested in educational matters. The teachers have been well adapted to the schools where they have taught, and no complaints of a serious nature arisen. While my visits were for the purpose of examining the schools in the branches taught, I was struck with the conscientious and thoughtful spirit of the pupils, and the rational methods of teaching.

Our school-tax the past year was small, but the good the schools accomplished great in comparison. To meet the increased desire, on the part of every good citizen, that the present standard of the schools be maintained, will require for another year, a larger appropriation of money either by town or district tax; and the Committee therefore earnestly asks every voter of the town to interest himself in the work, so that when the appropriation is called for, he will readily see the need of it. We believe there is no financial department in our

town that has a better hold upon our intelligent tax-paying citizens than a liberal support of our schools. Is it the worst possible economy to advocate a narrow and selfish policy in public education. The present character and future prosperity of our town depends upon the intelligence of the rising generation. As has been said by another, "The poorest speculation in financial affairs is to knock out the brains of a community to save money." Many of our schools are small, yet they need just as good teachers as large schools, and so long as our present school-system is maintained we must have the necessary means of supporting them. Now I believe we can educate our scholars at home just as well and with far less expense than to send them away to school and by so doing keep our money in town. The real objection I often hear to this is, "We can't get teachers competent." Why? Because many of the best teachers New Hampshire produces go into other states where they are paid for their services and can have a school suited to their qualifications. Now we can retain the best and most experienced teachers in our schools by paying them for their work what it is worth. I would not speak disparagingly of young teachers for the best teacher we have in the field was once a novice in the business, but when we have found a good teacher and proved them such let us keep them in our schools so long as they do well.

I have made no arbitrary changes in the text-books during the year, but have so far as I could without injury to the scholars or breaking up existing classes introduced Harper's Geography and Swinton's Grammar. I consider these books far superior to any now in use on the same subject and much cheaper. There are other changes that might be made and the schools benefited thereby. I negotiated with different publishers of books during the latter part of the school year whereby I might get an even exchange of books. This plan was matured so late in the year and after many of the schools had closed that I did not think it advisable to adopt it, but presume this same arrangement could be effected the coming year; if so

it will give the scholars a new book with little or no expense for an old one that he has used a long time and is to him worthless. I would suggest a course of supplementary reading in our schools, that our series of reading books be supplemented by miscellaneous books of history, poetry, biography, etc. We want a variety of reading, and this course would increase a taste for reading with the scholars both at school and at home.

To the teachers I would say are you taking as high a position as your duties require? There is no deservedly eminent teacher in these days anywhere to be found, but finds it necessary to study. Such are the advancing claims of Science, Literature and Art in all directions with which every live teacher must keep pace, aside from the spirit of progress in his profession, and being posted and especially prepared in the matter and method of the branches he is teaching, that the utmost labor is required to win any advanced position. A good teacher without a true ambition is an impossibility. Teachers with no ambition abound everywhere; and my advice to all school officers, shun them.

Once more I call upon the parents to look after your schools; much of the success of our schools depends upon you. I might offer other suggestions but fearing my report has already transcended its limits I close, though I would offer this suggestion that at the close of our schools for the summer session the present year, that every teacher in town take their school on some fixed date and assemble together in some place large enough to accommodate all, and invite parents and citizens to join, and have a public examination of the schools with such exercises as may suit the occasion, also the same of the winter schools. Would not this act as a stimulus? It would certainly be interesting to see teachers and scholars all together. The Roll of Honor includes those who have not been absent or tardy. I sincerely thank all for the courtesy I have received.

GEORGE F. PETTENGILL,
Superintendent of Schools.

Enfield, February 23rd, 1885.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

But one term for the year. Ella M. Gordon, teacher. At each of my visits to this school I found it in a healthy condition. Arithmetic was the best and most thoroughly taught of any study. In this district the scholars are taught at home to realize the worth of knowledge, and that "Education forms the common mind." The teacher appreciated every intellectual want of her pupils, and imparted her knowledge understandingly.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Summer term, Carrie Steele, teacher. At my last visit I marked every recitation good, and the progress in the several studies satisfactory. I think however the improvement in reading noticable beyond all other branches. At no distant date Miss Steele will occupy a prominent place among our desirable teachers.

Abby L. Truell was employed for the fall term. This school was prematurely closed by sickness (diphtheria) among the scholars. Two visits, one at the opening, and near the middle of the term, found the teacher modestly assuming the duties incumbent upon her. The recitations were well committed. Miss Truell seems to be lacking confidence, that I presume experience will supply.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

The school in this district for the year has been attended with more than usual prosperity. Lillian M. Follonsbee took charge of the summer term. Miss Follonsbee discovered a wonderful adaptability to this school. Good order was secured and maintained. The teacher by her constant care for her pupils, and her lively and energetic example of industry, succeeded in bringing the school to a successful close. Arithmetic and Geography showed the most improvement.

Winter term, Arthur L. Davis, teacher. The order at each of my visits was beyond criticism. The scholars developed a more than usual love for learning; and their close application to study encouraged by a zealous teacher showed that this school has scholars capable of performing commendable mental work. The classes in Arithmetic and Geography took the lead as in the previous term. We think the year's school-work in this district ought to please the most fastidious.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Only one term taught by Lillian M. Follonsbee. This school is small and the scholars young. We think they learned all they could. [The school was the most proficient in Geography. The teacher sought for the best methods to secure the advancement of her pupils.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

This district and No. 2 united for school purposes. This union proved a very judicious one, as the scholars in either district alone would have been small, and with the limited amount of school money necessarily short. By uniting, the result has been three terms of school of reasonable length and fair size. The scholars of both districts attended in No. 9. Edna L. Morgan taught the summer term. Miss Morgan being a resident of the place, and having received a large share of her education in this district knew just how to adapt herself to the situation to meet successfully the wants of the school. A co-operative spirit prevailed throughout the term. The scholars were orderly and diligent; the teacher careful that every branch should receive its proportionate attention. I think we may call this school a success.

Fall term, A. L. Livermore, teacher. We found much to commend in this school. The teacher's friendly relations with his pupils, and the encouragement he offered them for study developed in them a love for learning and resulted in awaken-

ing their latent energies. The school was a self-governed one consequently every member was employed in the right direction : viz. the acquisition of knowledge.

Francello G. Atwell was employed as teacher for the winter term. Mr. Atwell is an earnest, faithful, painstaking teacher. His thorough knowledge of books render him peculiarly qualified as a good instructor. The school spent no time during the term on a review, yet the scholars as a whole were able to answer correctly the questions suggested by the teacher, and explain intelligently every subject brought before them, showing that their instruction had been systematically and patiently given by one who is competent to teach. The improvement for the year has been very marked.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Eva J. Edwards took charge of the school in this district, a fall term. The scholars at each of my visits exhibited a very thorough knowledge of the branches taught. Miss Edwards understands that to make a school essentially successful the scholars must have a close acquaintance with the branches they study, and this acquaintance is secured only by frequent review. I think improvement was made in every branch studied ; though the classes in Arithmetic and Geography were the most interesting.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

May L. Perley taught the two terms of school in this district. This school was one of superior excellence. The teacher has an intimate acquaintance with the branches she teaches, and being possessed of an acute and original mind she made the school a practical one. Miss Perley did not require the study of her pupils to be confined to the printed pages alone ; but by her abundant resources led her pupils from the monotonous, and often dull method of rote learning, into the more pleasing and practical channels of knowledge. The

scholars being orderly, and of quick conceptions co-operated with the teacher to make the school one of value. I commend the progress made in Grammar, while every other study was faithfully attended too.

DISTRICT NO. 12.

The school in this district was under the instruction of Lizzie T. Elliott, a good scholar and earnest teacher. Miss Elliott is possessed of strong intellectual power, which was successfully exerted in behalf of her pupils. The order was good and instruction thorough. The school received a good drill at the blackboard, and were competent to give a reason for all operations. We pronounce this a good school.

DISTRICT NO. 13.

Mary E. Elkins, assisted by Fannie F. Fallen, had charge of the summer term. What has been said of this school in the past can truthfully be repeated this term. The teachers are natural scholars and impart their instruction in a manner to be readily understood by the pupils. The scholars were thorough and earnest in their studies. The map-drawing excelled any of the former efforts in this school. This was the best term I have ever seen in this. A new set of Physiological Charts have been furnished the school during the year and books to accompany them, showing that the guardians of this school seek for it an advanced position.

Winter term, Marinda Keniston, an able and experienced teacher, who makes a strong appeal to her scholars, and receives a ready response from them. The school is still in session and will prove a credit to the district.

DISTRICT NO. 14.

Summer term, Abby L. Truell, teacher. The school was small and backward. The teacher tried to advance her pupils

and succeeded to the satisfaction of all concerned. Miss Truell labors to be of the highest service to the school where she teaches, and works hard to secure an education.

George F. Pettengill taught the winter term.

DISTRICT NO. 15.

Mabelle O. White taught the summer term. The school opened pleasantly, and the work for ten weeks arranged; but at the expiration of eight weeks the teacher abruptly closed the school. We regard the last few weeks of a school of more value than a corresponding number at the opening. Had the school been the number of weeks designed, I think the result would have been averagely good.

Winter term, Val M. Hardy, teacher. This was Mr. H's second term in the district. The school was characterised by good order and the lively interest shown by teacher and scholar. There was a very marked uniformity in the several studies showing that no one branch was advanced to the detriment of others; but all received sufficient attention to clearly demonstrate a uniform instruction. Not more than one or two schools in town made more improvement in writing than this one.

DISTRICT NO. 17.

Summer term Ella M. Gordon, teacher. The scholars in this school are for the most part small, and need considerable attention to show rapid improvement. The school had the whole benefit of the teachers time.

Cora McDaniel was employed as teacher for the winter term. Miss McDaniel is to be commended for her skill in governing this school, and her determined effort that her scholars should learn something. It was the aim of the teacher to give her pupils a thorough understanding of the elementary principles of learning, and lay for them a foundation certain and sure. It is seldom we see so great a change for the better in one term as was witnessed here. Order and progress good.

DISTRICT NO. 18.

Two terms Annie M. Ellis, teacher. The winter school not yet closed. The scholars in this school do not go over as much ground as many other schools; but what they do take up they have a positive knowledge of, and clear understanding. The improvement in the several studies for the summer term was very uniform. New subjects are taken up every term. The pupils follow their teacher's directions with fidelity and care. Physiological charts, books, etc., have been furnished the school during the year, showing that the people of this district are alive to the cause of education. No. 13 and No. 18 give more attention to penmanship than any other school in town.

ROLL OF HONOR.

No. 6—Addie Smith, Horace White,* John White, Geo. L. Smith, Hiram Drown, Fred Noyes; No. 7, Geo. E. Fallonsbee, Bert W. Horton; No. 11. Edith L. Bryant*, L. Gertrude Bryant,* Leonia A. Kimball*, Cora R. Lawn, Herbert McElwain,* Laura D. Pillsbury, Mary Pierce, Lula Bryant, Mabelle E. Harvey; No. 12, Ella Kidder, Frank Whitcomb, John Bailey, Fred Whitcomb; No. 14, Mary Horton, John B. Fellows, Elbridge W. Truell, Fred H. Follonsbee; No. 15, Frank C. Johnson, James W. Johnson, Guy Purmort, Wilbur Stevens, Kate Cannon,* Etta G. Merrill.* No. 17, Mamie Moody,* John Moody, Carl Quimby; No. 9, Walter S. Dorothy, Wayland F. Dorothy*

Those marked * for two terms.

Those marked † for three terms.

REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF EDUCATION DIST. NO. 1.

At the end of another year we are gratified to be able to say that the adoption of the Board of Education Law by this district has proved more beneficial in its results than its most sanguine friends had dared to expect. It has brought the schools under the control of those who have a personal and financial interest in them, and we feel assured that in the adoption or change of text-books and in classification there has been a marked improvement.

In addition to the sum of \$601.17 which was required to be raised by law, the district at its last annual meeting raised \$300, about \$100 of which was expended to purchase land to enlarge the school lot, to fence the same and repair old, and build new out-buildings, the balance being used for schooling purposes, giving two terms of ten weeks each and one of twelve weeks in all the departments. There has also been raised by subscription during the year and from entertainments by the high school, \$98.50 which has been expended for placing a nice bell in the cupola of the school house and for maps, charts and books of reference for the school rooms, showing how great an interest is taken in our schools by such a hearty co-operation by the teachers, scholars and parents.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Warren L. Pettengill has been continued in this school for another year and also had a general control of the other departments. We are pleased to say that we heartily concur in his system of instruction in which he has to a great extent thrown aside the routine questions of text-books and adopted methods which are calculated to be of practical benefit to his scholars and accustom them to make a practical application of the instruction received.

A series of literary meetings have been held in the evening, once in two weeks the past winter, which have taken the form of a well regulated lyceum, carried on under parliamentary rules, and have proved a source of great benefit to the school, and interest to others who attended. Let them be continued. We can but reiterate our report of last year that this is a model school and we are proud of it. The following is the classification of the studies in this school.

SPRING & SUMMER TERM:—Reading, Spelling, Arithmetic, Algebra, commenced and continued, Grammar, Analysis, general exercises in History every other day, Latin commenced and continued, Political Geography, and Rhetoric.

FALL TERM:—First four same as spring term; Natural History, Latin, Plain Geometry commenced, Single Entry Book Keeping, English Literature.

WINTER TERM:—First four same as fall term; Latin, Plain Geometry finished, Physical Geography, Anatomy, Civil Government, History and Book Keeping if necessary.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Miss Minnie D. Cummings has been the teacher in this school during the year. She has labored hard for the interest of all her scholars, and if any have failed to make good improvement in their studies it cannot be for lack of effort on the part of the teacher. We noticed very marked improvement in several branches of study.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Miss Lizzie M. Williams has had charge of this school for the entire year, and although the position was new to her she has seemed especially adapted to the care of the "little ones", and in their management and instruction has met with the most gratifying success.

E. B. HUSE,	}	Board
L. W. CURRIER,		of
J. C. CURRIER,		Education.

ROLL OF HONOR.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Earnest L. Baker,* Eugene Carlton,† Ernest B. Conant,† Annie P. Day,† Frank N. Hall, Bertha M. Huse, Katie Wells, Stella M. Huse, Louise Raymond, M. Clair Sawyer.

INTERMEDIATE.

Bertie Chandler,† Harry Carlton,† Agnes Brewer, Louise Merrill.

PRIMARY.

Bertie Stevens,† Edgar Sargent,† Tommie Webster,† Viola Cole,† Ida Cole,† Nellie Kinsella,† Annie Kinsella,† Daisy Wheeler,† Harry Wheeler, Charlie Olmstead, Willie Webster, Lottie Shattuck, Clara Roberts.

—Those marked † for two terms.

Those marked * for three terms.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

No. of District.	TERMS.	No. weeks.	No. scholars.	Average attendance.	Wages of teachers exclusive of board a mo.	Board of teachers a month.	No. in Arithmetic.	Geography.	History.	Grammar.	Reading.	Spelling.	Writing.	Algebra.	Physiology.	Book-keeping.	Latin and Geometry.	Visits by S. S. Com.	By citizens and others.
1	High.	1st.	10	23	20	34 00	10 00	10	23	23	23	23		12	15		10	2	2
		2d.	10	20	16	34 00	10 00	9	10	7	8	20		11	16		10	3	4
		3d.	12	22	20	34 00	10 00	21	5	8	22	22		15	8		11	3	3
	Inter.	1st.	10	28	23	18 00	8 00	28	28	12	28	28	28					2	63
		2d.	10	29	23	18 00	8 00	29	29	19	29	29	29					4	
		3d.	12	31	26	18 00	8 00	30	28	28	30	30	30					5	2
	Prim.	1st.	10	31	28	18 00	8 00	20	10		31	31	31					2	10
		2d.	10	30	27	18 00	8 00	24	10		30	30	30					1	15
		3d.	12	29	26	18 00	8 00	23	10		29	29	29					3	20
3		1st.	12	6	5	13 00	5 00	6	4	2	6	6	6					2	9
4		1st.	8	10	7	8 00	6 00	4	2		9	8	4	1				2	11
		2d.	10	10	9	12 00	6 00	5	1	1	10	9	6					2	15
6		1st.	10	16	15	10 00	*	11	6	1	3	16	16	8				2	9
		2d.	†					13	6	2	4	14	14	9	1			2	
7		1st.	10	6	5	11 00	4 00	5	3	1	6	6	1		1			2	5
9		1st.	8	8	6	15 00	*	6	3	2	8	8	6	2			1	2	10
		2d.	8	10	9	25 00	*	8	7	2	10	10	9	2			1	2	9
		3d.	10	14	11	34 00	*	13	13	4	13	13		3			1	2	24
10		1st.	10	10	7	14 00	6 00	10	5	6	10	10	8		1	1		2	9
11		1st.	10	23	21	18 00	7 00	19	11	5	23	23	20					2	36
		2d.	12	27	22	20 00	7 00	22	12	8	27	26	25	1		4		2	38
12		1st.	10	14	12	12 00	*	10	8	1	2	14	14	10	1		1	2	9
		2d.	12	17	13	12 00	*	12	8	1	2	17	17	12	1		1	2	9
13		1st.	†																
		2d.																	
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		2d.	5	5	4	16 00	5 00	5	2	1	5	5	5						5
15		1st.	8	15	13	6 00	*	11	7		3	15	15	2				2	15
		2d.	10	19	16	20 00	*	17	12	1	19	19	18					2	
17		1st.	6	22	17	12 00	3 00	15	11		22	22	14					2	9
		2d.	8	20	12	11 00	4 00	14	8		20	20	14					2	5
18		1st.	†																
		2d.																	

*Board given

†Register not completed.

‡Register not returned.

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